Local Rules 16.10(b) requires that lead counsel attend the initial Case Management Conference "unless excused by the Judge". Lead counsel for Plaintiff Oscar Julius Grant, Jr., will be unable to attend the initial Case Management Conference as he has an already-booked vacation which takes him out of the State from October 18 through October 25, 2009.

Rather than requesting re-scheduling of the Case Management Conference (also set in the related case of Johnson, et al. v. Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART), et al., Case No. C 09-00901 due to Mr. Lagos' unavailability, it is respectfully requested that he be excused from attendance and that John Burris, Esq., lead counsel for Plaintiffs Wanda Johnson, et al., in said

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related case (Johnson, et al. v. Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART), et al., Case No. C 09-

0091), be permitted to appear specially at the initial Case Management Conference on behalf of

Plainiff Oscar Julius Grant, Jr.

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Dated: September 28, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

LAW OFFICES OF PANOS LAGOS

Panos Lagos, Esq. Attorney for Plaintiff,

OSCAR JULIUS GRANT. 3R.

STIPULATION:

I, John Burris, hereby agree and stipulate to appear specially for Panos Lagos at the initial

Case Management Conference set for October 19, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in the Honorable Marilyn

Hall Patel's Courtroom (Courtroom 15).

Dated: September 25, 2009

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: 9/30/2009

LAW OFFICES OF JOHN BURRIS

John Burns, Esq. Attorney for Plaintiffs.

Attorney for Plaintilis, WANDA JOHNSON, et al.

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HONORABLE MANDORDERED

Judge Marilyn H. Patel

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